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Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments filed 2/28/08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues that Martine does not disclose "a time modulating a control signal" or "controlled current output coupled to the MEMs device on the basis of the time modulated control signal". However, Martin discloses a charge control circuit 32 is configured to control micro-electromechanical device 34 by applying a reference voltage having a selected voltage level provided by variable power supply 36 across first and second conductive plates 42 and 44 for a predetermined time (section 0014). Therefore the modulation of the control signal is at a preset time. Thus, the above rejection is maintained.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brandi N. Thomas whose telephone number is 571-272-2341. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday from 6-4:30.

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